To enact R.S. 13:5727, relative to coroners; to provide for funding; to provide for alternative funding for coroners of certain parishes; to authorize a renewable tax; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 13:5727 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§5727. Alternative funding source for coroners

A. Notwithstanding any other law or jurisprudence to the contrary, the governing authority of the parishes as provided by Subsection B of this Section shall allow and assist any elected coroner in those parishes to seek and place on the election ballot a ten year renewable tax of up to three mills of ad valorem tax revenue to be paid for the sole operation of the office of the coroner, and passage of such ad valorem tax shall relieve the parish from any further funding obligation. This millage rate election shall be based on the budget of the coroner to provide for legislative mandated services, and the population of the parish which shall yield a millage value for taxation, subject to approval by a majority of the electors of the parish.

B. The parishes subject to this Section include: Allen Parish, Bienville Parish, Bossier Parish, Cameron Parish, Caldwell Parish, Claiborne Parish, Concordia Parish, DeSoto Parish, East Carroll Parish, East Feliciana Parish, Franklin Parish, Grant Parish, Jackson Parish, LaSalle Parish, Lincoln Parish, Madison Parish, Morehouse Parish, Natchitoches Parish, Plaquemines Parish, Point Coupee Parish, Red River Parish, Richland Parish, Sabine Parish, St. Helena Parish, St. James Parish...
Parish, St. Landry Parish, Tensas Parish, Union Parish, Webster Parish, West Baton Rouge Parish, West Feliciana Parish, and Winn Parish.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ____________________

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